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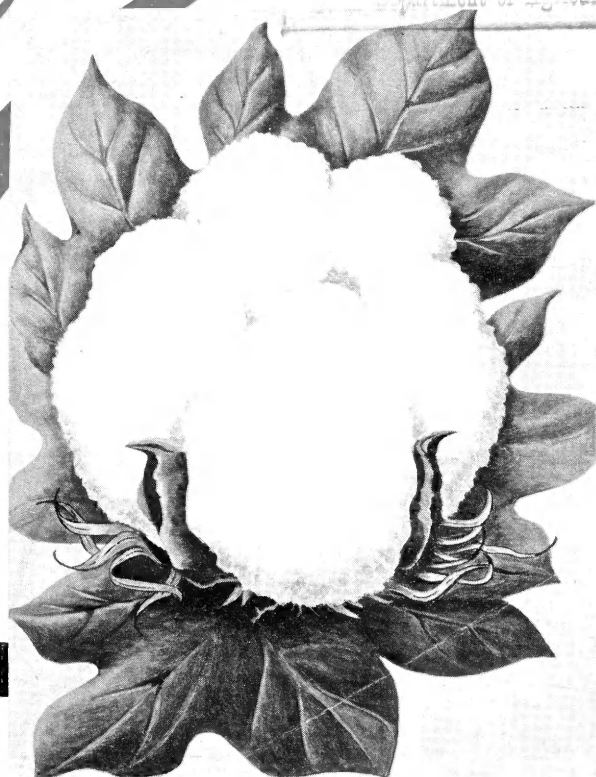


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# TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SEED CATALOG

# Marett

FARM  
*AND*  
SEED  
COMPANY



WESTMINSTER, S.C.

## OUR 22nd ANNUAL CATALOG

Since the organization of The Maretts Seed Farms, to do plant-breeding work in 1918, we have watched our country pass through two great and important economic changes that have affected the lives of every citizen of America. We are now called upon to face the third change and just how long this adjustment will go on, we do not know. We are told that Government expenditures, for the next two or three years, are expected to bring about some degree of prosperity, certainly higher prices in some commodities. Much depends upon the outcome of the European war.

Farm commodities, and the production of these commodities, which depend more or less on Providence, must be equally protected in our economical structure by the Government. Let me say here and now, that we, as a Government, shall not be guilty of encouraging idleness and putting a premium on indolence. No class, or group, of citizenry in this country has a warmer love and respect for our form of Government, or has a greater desire to share our responsibility to man-kind, than does the farming class of people. If love for country and work be our "first name," then we must accept improvements, readjustments,—better seeds for maximum production per unit of effort.

### PEDIGREED COTTON SEED AND CORN, PLUS LIVESTOCK

The Plant-Breeders in field seeds have been able to give us cottons that grow more lint per acre, of the better grades and staples than the one-time short staple varieties. The proof of this is not in the fact that you get the highest turnout at the cotton gins, but, in many cases, has been proven to be varieties of a less percent lint. If we want to "stream line" our farming, then it is good practice to buy a few good seed every year or two, properly coupling this in with livestock production on the farm. Good type animals of the right kind, eat no more than the less productive animals.

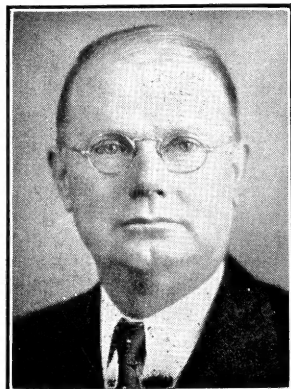
Keels W. Maretts.



**KEELS W. MARETT**  
Directing Plant Breeder  
and Manager



**W. T. McCLURE, Sr.**  
Plant Breeder



**J. E. MARETT**  
Gin Manager

# FACTS THAT "GO A LONG WAY" IN PROVING SUPERIOR STRAINS OF SEED

## TRIAL LANDS AND EQUIPMENT

Plant-to-row Plots, Trial Grounds in Wilt Soils, Increase Farms, Ten and Sixteen Saw Gins, Private System Gins, Seed Graders, Warehouses for Sacked Seed and two Large Germinators.

## ONLY THE BEST FOR PLANTING

The choicest field multiplications are kept for seed. The gins are adjusted so that any knot-locks in the cotton will drop. The seed go directly from the gins through the grading machines and the number 1's are then and there, bagged. They are then spaced for seasoning out and afterwards stacked 80 bags to a stack, all ears out, so that long trial sample can be drawn from each bag, for germination test.

## FOR OUR WORK IN SMALL GRAIN

Our equipment for handling Small Grain consists of very small threshers made by ourselves, for threshing the Individual Selections, and Plant-to-Row Work; also First-Year Increase Plot, Strain and Variety Test. Private Thresher for our own Multiplication Farms. All Small Grain is graded, removing about twenty per cent of the stock as culls.

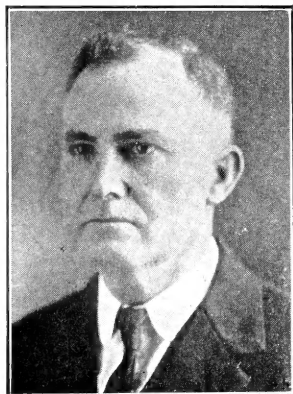
## A CONTRIBUTION TO AGRICULTURE AND SUCCESSFUL FARMING

Thousands of dollars spent annually by the Marett Seed Farm to find the best and most productive strains in field crops—, money value per acre. Thousands of dollars spent for machinery and equipment to successfully carry out this work.

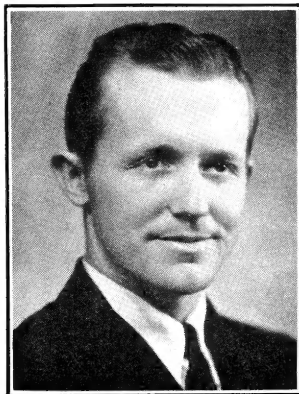
By developing strains of cotton that are not only high in production per acre but of a given length staple that the market demands. By the development of strains of cotton that germinate well in low temperature soils.

By developing new and superior strains of wheat, barley and oats that will fill the farmers demand, both in production per acre, resistance to cold and diseases.

By giving the farmer a high producing pedigreed seed at a price that is not only reasonable in the charge we make but a value that is superior and highly satisfactory to the customer, barring providence.



**W. R. DAVIS**  
Office Manager and first  
found seed strain multiplier



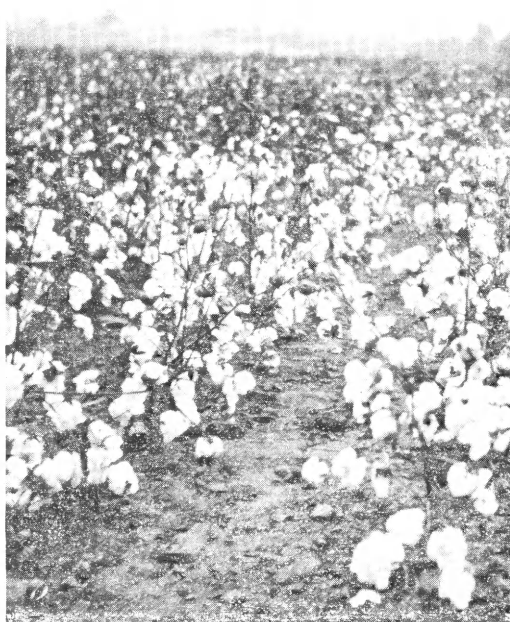
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Plant Breeder



**J. D. HULL**  
Cotton Grader and Shipping  
Clerk



## MARETT'S PEDIGREED WHITE GOLD STRAIN No. 2 (Increase Plot)



Plant-to-Row in White Gold 2

**Staple:** 1 1/16", Normal Seasons.

**Character:** Excellent. The very best.

**Seasons:** Early.

**Per Cent Lint:** 37 to 38 1/2.

**Size Boll:** Large. 60 to 65 to pound.

**Type Plant:** Medium dwarfy. Medium light foliage. Identified as an early variety of cotton.

Favorable years we have known this cotton to make 1 1/8" staple. Most of the time it makes 1 1/16". We do not think it is possible to have weather so dry that it will be shorter than 1" staple, not even the top crop. Without a doubt, it has proven to be the most popular cotton ever put on the market by us. While we recognize it to be a semi-wilt resistant variety, we would not want to recommend it for heavy wilt soils.



## **INCREASE BLOCK OF WHITE GOLD STRAIN No. 2**

In our own variety tests we have found this cotton to be very superior in production per acre. We get many reports of two (2) bales per acre, by those planting it last year and better than a bale, per acre is very general. Whether you pick your own cotton or hire it picked, you will find it to be the best picking cotton to be had. One should pick at least 25% more cotton in this variety than in many other varieties planted. It is easy to get pickers to pick White Gold No. 2. 18,000 bolls less are required to make a bale weighing 1200 pounds in the seed, of some varieties. It does well on medium to rich soils. It will stand crowding in the drill. We got many good reports and flattering letters by those planting these seeds last year. In money value per acre, it has proven itself to be superior. Already we are receiving many small and large orders, having booked twice the amount of seed as compared with this time last year. These seed will come to you Ceresan treated.

**Per Bushel \$1.90**

**40 Bus. \$1.80 per Bu.; 80 Bus. \$1.70 per Bu.**

25,000 plants per acre with one extra boll to the plant means 25,000 bolls more per acre—count 65 bolls per pound and you will have 384 pounds seed cotton.

***Marett's Seeds Give Extra Bolls***

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## MARETT'S PEDIGREED WHITE GOLD STRAIN 1-A (New Strain 3-2-5-10)

**Staple:** 15/16" to 1" full, normal seasons. **Character:** Excellent. **Season:** Early.  
**Size Boll:** 65 to 70 per pound. **Picking Quality:** Excellent. **Per Cent Lint:** 40 to 42.  
**Type Plant:** Open, 2 to 3 lateral branches.



This is a new strain of cotton offered this year for the first time and it was developed through the blood line of Strain No. 1, previously sold by us. It carries a larger boll than the parent strain and is more oval in type. It is an excellent picker and matures about the same time as our White Gold Strain 2, possibly a little earlier. We have known this cotton to make 1 1/32" staple and as low as 15/16", depending upon the season. Should you have a market that desires a staple length of 15/16" to 1", this cotton should fill the bill. The picking quality of our Strain 1-A is equally as good as our Strain No. 2. We do not claim this variety to have any resistance to cotton wilt but do not find it to die quite as bad as some other non-wilt varieties.

We expect this cotton to be very popular because of the many characteristics already fixed in the White Gold variety. The amount of seed on hand is very limited and will not have more than 20 tons of it to sell. These seed will come to you Ceresan treated.

**Per Bushel \$2.00**  
**40 Bus. \$1.90 per Bu.; 80 Bus. \$1.80 per Bu.**





## MARETT'S PEDIGREED CLEVELAND WILT RESISTANT STRAIN No. 2 (Increase Block, 35-4)

**Staple:** 1" to 1 1/16" full, normal seasons. **Character:** Excellent. **Season:** Early. **Per Cent Lint:** 36 to 37. **Size Boll:** 70 to 75 to pound. **Type Plant:** Medium dwarfy, with light foliage. Our Strain 2 is much earlier than our old Strain No. 1.

The variety tests for the years 1939 and 1940, definitely determine the superior quality and production of Strain 2 offered this year. One contestant in the 1939 5-Acre contest in Oconee County, produced the highest yield made in the county with this variety. Comparative results show this variety to be highly resistant to cotton wilt. We have also seen, as with all other varieties we have ever tested, a few plants die. We have never seen it die more than 2% in any given field and seems to stand root-knot better than our Strain No. 1. This variety will stand crowding in the drill and according to bloom count is a little earlier than our White Gold Strain 2. Its earliness should give you some advantage in boll weevil control. The amount of seed on hand for sale is rather limited and suggest that you book your order as early as possible. These seed will come to you Ceresan treated.



Variety Test Row

**Per Bushel \$2.00**

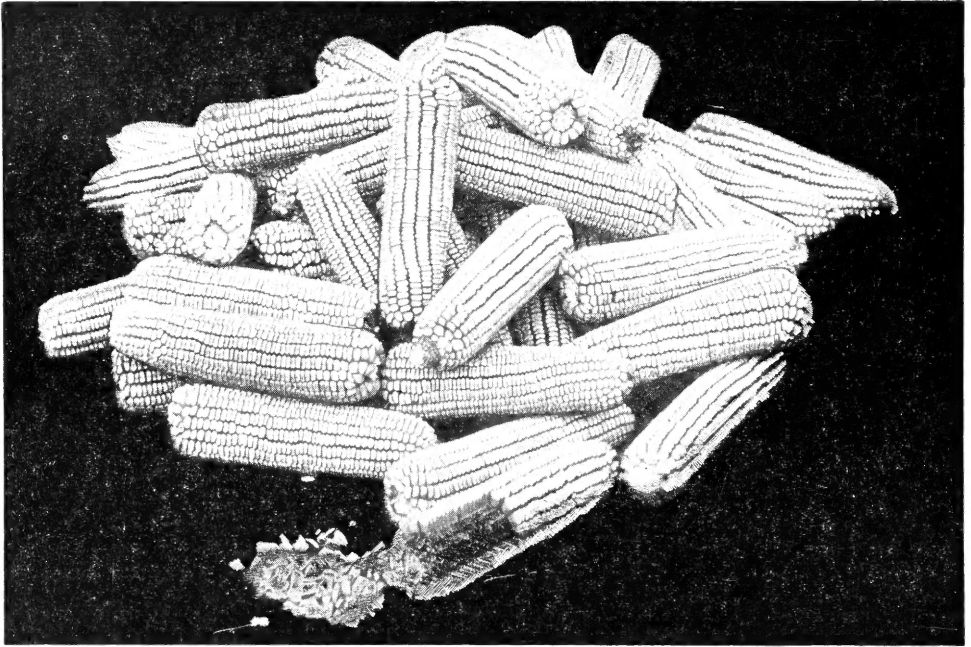
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## MARETT'S TYPE PEDIGREED DOUTHIT CORN

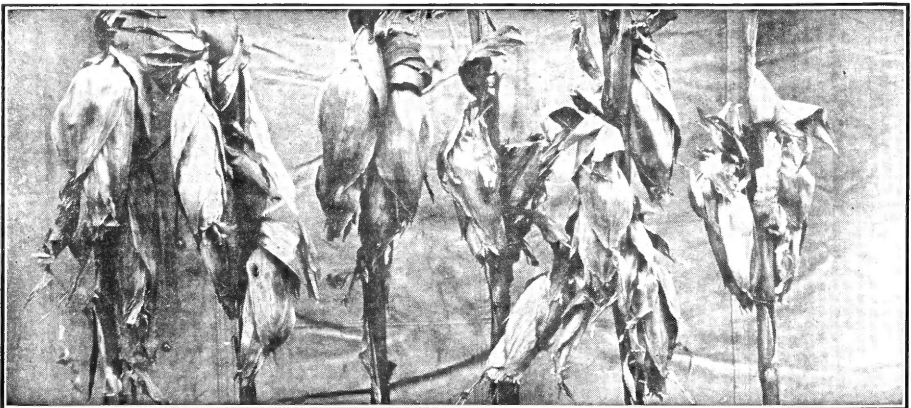
### Strain No. 12

**Season:** Medium late. **Grain:** White, medium flinty, medium deep, 16 to 18 rows to cob. **Prolificness:** 2 to 3 large ears to stalk (usually 2). **Cob:** Small red. **Per Cent Grain to Cob:** 86 to 88. **Shuck:** Medium heavy, covering ear well. **Weevil Resistance:** Good.

Strain No. 12 is our very latest strain determined by the plant-to-row method and a general increase block, coming from the very best types and very best per cent grain per cob. More attention has been given to this strain for shuck cover than our previous strains. We are sure that this strain is the best one we have every put out and should do well in any section throughout the Southeast.



Marett's Douthit Corn, Strain No. 12



Marett's Type Douthit Corn

**Per peck, 90c; Per Bu. \$3.35; 5 Bus. \$3.10 per Bu.**  
**FOB Westminster, S. C.**

## MARETT'S TYPE YELLOW CHIEF CORN STRAIN No. 5

Season: medium, 7 days earlier than our Douthit.

GRAIN: Yellow, medium flinty, 12 to 14 rows to cob.

COB: small, white.

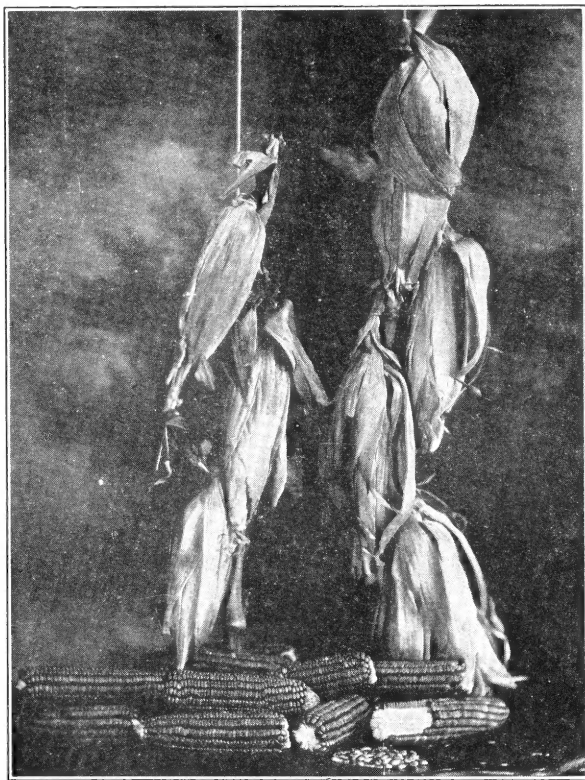
PROLIFICNESS: 2 to 4 ears to plant.

PER CENT GRAIN TO COB. 84 to 86.

SHUCK: medium light—covers ear well.

WEEVIL RESISTANCE: good.

Our Strain No. 5 carries a better shuck cover than any previous strain. We are sure that our Strain No. 5 is one of the highest yielding open pollinated corns of the yellow varieties to be had. Quite often it will compare favorably with the hybrids in yield per acre, also with the whites. Our sales stock will not exceed over 250 bushels this year, therefore, will be important to have your orders as early as possible. High water got a portion of our stock.



Marett's Yellow Chief Corn

**Per peck, 90c; Per Bu. \$3.35; 5 Bus. \$3.10 per Bu.**

**FOB Westminster, S. C.**

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## MARETT'S PROLIFIC CORN STRAIN No. 1

Season: Medium late. Grain: White, medium flinty, medium deep. Prolificness: 2 to 4 ears to stalk. Cob: White. Per Cent Grain to Cob: About 85. Shuck: well covered. Weevil Resistance: Good.

This strain of corn was developed for those desiring a high yield per acre and, at the same time, an excellent insulage corn. It is also a very fine milling corn. It compares favorably with other high yielding white corns. It is about 4 days later in maturity than Marett's Douthit. We have sold this corn for the past two years and it is very satisfactory

**Per peck, 90c; Per Bu. \$3.35; 5 Bus. \$3.10 per Bu.**

**FOB Westminster, S. C.**

## MARETT'S REGISTERED POLLED HEREFORD CATTLE

On our farms we have about one hundred (100) head of Registered Hereford Cattle, including calves. Seed stock in Polled Hereford Cattle has now become as important to us as plant production for seed stock. Some of the blood lines now in our herd are: Pawnee Rollo, Foundation, Beau Perfection, Prince Domino and Mossy Plato. Heading our herd, at this time, are: Hazeford Duke, a Brownell Comb's bull of Lexington, Kentucky, and a Pawnee Rollo Bull.

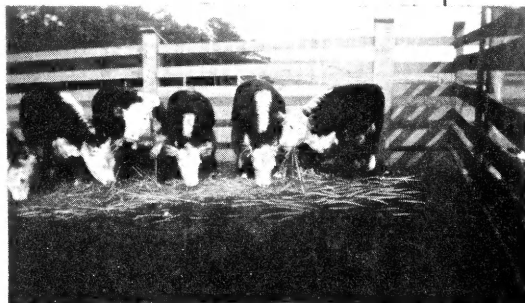
We extend a cordial invitation to visit us any time during the year to see this herd of very fine cattle.



Hazeford Duke at 18 months old.



Young Heifers on farm.



Young heifers.

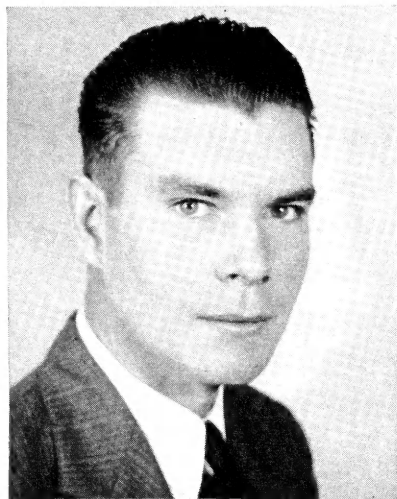


Few bull calves.



Kodak picture of 3 of our cows.

## ADVANCE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SMALL GRAIN WORK



Samuel J. Hadden

Mr. Hadden, previously having had 12 years experience in breeding small grain, has recently been added to our staff. He came to us from The Georgia Experiment Station, Experiment, Georgia.



Section of Variety Test in Barley. The tall stocky grain, shown in this cut, is our Awnless Barley, Strain 1.



Section showing nursery work in small grain.



Small section of our New Awnless Barley Strain 1. A very popular strain.

### LIST OF FIELD SEEDS OFFERED IN SEASON

Marett's Rust-Resistant Wheat  
(New Variety)

Marett's Blue Straw Wheat Strain 2-A

Marett-Boggs Purple Straw Wheat

Marett's Awnless Barley (New Variety)

Marett's Beardless Barley

Marrett's Winter-Resistant Oats

Marrett's Fulghum Oats

Marett's Red Oats

We issue a Bulletin on Small Grain, with prices, sometime in July, or first half of August. Write us for this Bulletin.

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### BUSINESS TERMS

**PRICES:** Our prices are cash with order. Customers who have established ratings and established their responsibility for business-like methods, may order sight draft attached to bill of lading.

**Our Responsibility:** All of our seeds are tested for germination and purity before they are sent out. Attached to every bag of seed is a privilege tag that permits you to examine the seed upon arrival, giving you eight days to examine, and test the seed, during which time, if you are not satisfied, you may return them.

**REMITTANCE:** Make remittance by check, money order, cash, or stamps. No responsibility on our part for remittance until it reaches us.

**Your Responsibility:** We waive all responsibility for seeds which have been in customer's hands for more than eight days, as any seed may be killed or germination lessened by subjecting them to too much moisture, heat, brine, chemicals, etc. Under no circumstances will we be responsible for germination of seed after planting, whether within eight days or not. Return seed at once, if you do not accept these conditions.

**COTTON SEED: All bags loaded 100 lbs. to the bag. One bag, 3— $\frac{1}{3}$  bus.; 2 bags, 6— $\frac{2}{3}$  bus.; 3 bags, 10 bushels.**

*Once a Maretts  
Customer, Always One*

O	<b>Purity Test</b> .99%	Date of Test
	Germination Tests Equals <b>90 Per Cent</b>	
	GROWN IN THE PIEDMONT BELT OF SOUTH CAROLINA	
	<b>MARETT FARM &amp; SEED COMPANY</b> Breeders and Growers of <b>PEDIGREED SEEDS</b> WESTMINSTER :: SOUTH CAROLINA, U.S.A.	
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O	<p>TESTED for germination in the plant of the Maretts Farm &amp; Seed Company. The test, backed by the scientific and expert breeding, growing, handling, cleaning and grading, Maretts's Pedigreed Seeds will give you crop insurance as nearly perfect as nature will permit.</p> <p>You may examine our seed after they arrive and test them in any way you see fit. If for any reason they are not satisfactory, they may be returned to us within 8 days after received, in the original package and at our expense and we will return the entire purchase price. We waive all responsibility for seed which has been in customer's hands for more than 8 days, as any seed may be killed or lessened for germination by subjecting them to too much moisture, heat, brine, chemicals, etc. Under no circumstances will we be responsible for germination of seed after planting, whether within 8 days or not. Return seed at once, if customer does not accept these conditions.</p> <p><b>MARETT FARM &amp; SEED COMPANY, Westminister, S. C.</b></p>
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All seed put up in new burlap bags printed two colors, and under a lead seal as lock and key job for your protection.

**WEIGHTS:** All Cotton Seed Machine-Graded, 30 pounds to Bushel.

**All Prices F. O. B. Westminister, S. C. and Subject to Being Unsold**

## MARETT FARM AND SEED COMPANY

Westminister, South Carolina